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TO AND FRO.

The Louisiana case drags, and it appears as if the argument is approaching a deadlock. In the main, Germany has complied with the demands presented by the United States; but at least one requirement of the American note, that the Imperial Government "disavow the wanton act of its naval commander in sinking the Lusitania," has not been met with. Germany has implied wrong-doing and has expressed sorrow at the loss of American lives. Germany has not disavowed the act of her commander, and may not do so. In the face of the present flat demands, to be definitely formulated after a conference between Secretary Lansing and Count von Bernstorff, Germany must concede the point or force a severance of diplomatic relations. However, in the world of diplomacy, a point may be conceded so delicately that the layman is unable to understand a particular shade of concession.

That which is expedient is frequently worst.

Favorite cuff-buttons for the sleeve of prosperity: golf links.

All men lie. Some men are more careful than others of how they lie.

Treacherous and drunkenness: horrid extremes of that which is normal, temperate.

We can't exactly say that Uncle Sam admires those latest Japanese designs on China.

At White Point the Gaffey people are obeying the old injunction, "Let well enough alone."

There's diversified farming and there's diversified reforming, and both are highly profitable.

Isn't this about the time of the year that General Kitchener usually announces his great spring drive?

Some folks are so narrow in their convictions that if you'd jolt them over the nose with a hat-pin it would put out both of their eyes.

Berlin finds Colonel House very much reserved. Nothing wrong Colonel House is far too busy with his listeners to use his oral artillery.

Washington believes that Democrats may buck the merchant marine measure. That's exactly what they did last year, bucked it clean off the boards.

Claiming that she fed him water-cress when he wanted beefsteak, Battling Nelson asks a divorce from his wife, Mrs. Nelson is to be congratulated.

After having murdered his wife pleasantly in Italy, Porter Charlton has reached New York City. His next engagement has not been officially announced.

Secretary W. E. Fitch, of the N. I. A. of A., declares that Chinese laundrymen are doing \$40,000,000 worth of business annually in the United States. My, we didn't know there was that much worth of washing in the world.

British labor opposes compulsory service and favors the most vigorous prosecution of the war. There's nothing paradoxical about this, as some suppose. British labor upholds the principle of democracy when it opposes forced service. Now if it volunteers, it will also uphold the principle of patriotism that should animate all Englishmen.

BURNT! SEES THE FIRE.

Italy shows signs of intelligence. Her statesmen are actually alarmed over Austrian successes in Montenegro, over another form of dominance for the Adriatic. After sleeping like a cradleful of rag dolls for precious months, they have a terrible fever of eleventh-hourism. Well may Italy turn her attention to something beside selfish fire designs in the direction of Trent and Trieste, where lost provinces beckon; for the Central Powers make headway and, no matter what the ultimate result, present alignments may wear harshly for years. Italy has been a great thorn.

QUIET PREVAILS.

A thousand sparks may blur out on the leg of powder, or one spark may cause the explosion. Mexico is the leg of powder, overt acts, sparks. Happily the troopers taken at Progreso have been returned in good health. Quiet prevails, and there is hope that the episode may be considered of little moment. If we view the situation with that degree of fairness which should prompt us in our consideration of outside affairs, we must admit that the United States, through its paid representatives, is in the wrong. This is so seldom true that we should even be eager to see the situation as it is.

SOMEBODY MUST BENEFIT.

There is some profit in everything accomplished for the good of the community. If one man loses, another gains. That object which serves the interests of most of the people, despite the reasonable gain of one person, or of a few persons, is best. We begin this paragraph for just one purpose: to say that a gold course is one of Corpus Christi's urgent needs, and that we must not expect to secure a course with out profit to some person. An unreasonable profit—that is all we have to guard against.

Headline: "Four Chicago boys hold up bank." Rather muscular.

Texas Press

A Timely Warning Against Too Much Cotton.

The State Department of Agriculture predicts that "the price of cotton will go to the lowest figure ever known next fall" if the acreage is more than it was last season and a normal yield harvested. This prediction, of course, is based on the assumption that the people of Georgia will be ruder and more efficient in their cotton production. The fourth prediction is that the acreage will be smaller this year than last year, and that the market will be more stable. The fifth prediction is that the price of cotton will be lower than last year. The sixth prediction is that the price of cotton will be higher than last year. The seventh prediction is that the price of cotton will be lower than last year. The eighth prediction is that the price of cotton will be higher than last year. The ninth prediction is that the price of cotton will be lower than last year. The tenth prediction is that the price of cotton will be higher than last year. 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